GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4302
ANSWERED ON:24.08.2005
RIGHT TO INFORMATION BILL
Purandeswari Smt. Daggubati;Singh Shri Mohan

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bill regarding `right to information` had been presented to the Hon`ble President for his assent;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the presidential assent has since been received;

(d) if so, the date thereof;

(e) whether correspondence between certain high government functionaries has been kept out of the purview of this legislation;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the justification thereof;

(g) whether the Government proposes to keep the issues pertaining to the interests of the country out of the purview of this legislation; and

(h) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a) to (d): `The Right to Information Bill, 2005`, as passed by the Houses of Parliament, has received the assent of the President on 15th June, 2005.

(e) to (h): Correspondence between government functionaries pertaining to the exempted categories provided in sections 8 & 9 of the said Act would not be required to be disclosed under the Act.